

13 March 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant, CR

SUBJECT : Comparison of Air Force and CIA Coding of Air Information Reports - Status Report as of 13 March.

1. Summary for the Period 9 - 13 March:

a. Documents Reviewed
182

| Documents With Coding Errors | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| By AF CIN | By CIA |
| 14 (8%) | 7 (4%) |

b. Number of Codes Assigned to 182 docs.
546

| Coding Errors | |
|---------------|----------|
| By AF CIN | By CIA |
| 14 (2.6%) | 7 (1.3%) |

2. Analysis of AF errors:

- a. Incorrect subject code 7
- b. Significant information not coded 7

3. Comments:

A number of the documents reviewed were of a highly technical nature concerning research in physics, chemistry and aerodynamics. Both CIA and Air Force coders made most of their errors on these documents. Political and economic information is still a problem for Air Force coders. On economic documents, Air Force coders are inclined to use overall codes or to code only one aspect of a document, i.e., to code description of a plant but to ignore production data, manpower, etc. Air Force coding of documents related strictly to the BAIR (Basic Air Intelligence Requirements) is good and the errors made are generally careless ones.

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